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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application filed February 7, 2001, this preliminary amendment is respectfully requested.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the following paragraphs as shown.

On page 9, replace lines 2-3 with the following paragraph:

B1 FIG. 1A and 1B is a schematic block diagram of an air monitoring system according to an embodiment of the invention;

On page 9, replace lines 14-15 with the following paragraph:

B2 FIG. 7A and 7B is a schematic block diagram of an air monitoring system according to another embodiment of the invention; and

On page 9, replace lines 16-17 with the following paragraph:

B3 FIG. 8A and 8B is a schematic block diagram of an air monitoring system including a grab sampler according to one embodiment of the invention.